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VA North Texas Health Care System Awarded Accreditation from The Joint Commission

DALLAS – By demonstrating compliance with national standards for health care quality and safety, VA North Texas Health Care System (VANTHCS) earned accreditation from The Joint Commission. VANTHCS consists of four healthcare facilities located at Dallas, Bonham, Fort Worth and Tyler. VANTHCS went through its accreditation survey the week of June 9, 2008.

The Joint Commission evaluates and accredits more than 15,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. An independent, not-for-profit organization, the Joint Commission is the nation's predominant standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. Since 1951, The Joint Commission has maintained state-of-the-art standards that focus on improving the safety and quality of care provided by health care organizations. The Joint Commission's comprehensive accreditation process evaluates an organization's compliance with these standards and other accreditation requirements. Receiving accreditation from The Joint Commission assures the public, and in this case the veterans of North Texas, that the VANTHCS organization meets the most rigid standards of care. Receiving full 3 year accreditation are programs in Long Term Care, Home Care, Behavioral Health and all Acute Care and Specialty programs.

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